

Table 5.8: Driving Practices (Percent)^{1,2}

Driving Status and History	Total	Age Group			Disability Level		
		65-74	75-84	85+	Moderate ³	ADL Difficulty	
						Receives No Help	Receives Help
All Participants	(N=1002)	(N=388)	(N=311)	(N=303)	(N=343)	(N=478)	(N=181)
Participant driving status ^{4,5}							
Current driver	25.4	32.3	24.8	6.7	29.3	28.9	7.6
Former driver	23.6	16.2	25.7	39.4	20.2	23.4	31.0
Never licensed	51.0	51.5	49.5	53.9	50.5	47.7	61.4
Usual driver ^{5,6}							
Participant	19.3	23.3	20.0	5.6	22.5	22.9	2.9
Someone in home	26.7	30.1	24.6	22.2	25.9	21.6	42.4
Someone outside home	47.6	42.1	47.8	63.4	46.0	49.2	46.6
Does not travel by car	6.4	4.5	7.6	8.8	5.6	6.3	8.2
Current Drivers	(N=222)	(N=125)	(N=75)	(N=22)	(N=90)	(N=121)	(N=11)
Drives less because of health or vision ⁷	60.2	53.0	67.6	88.8	61.3	56.5	91.8
Former Drivers	(N=264)	(N=64)	(N=80)	(N=120)	(N=80)	(N=126)	(N=58)
Did you stop driving for health or vision reasons or for some other reason? ⁵							
Health	36.9	33.3	38.9	37.8	20.4	38.0	56.9
Vision	18.6	22.9	15.3	19.1	27.1	12.4	20.1
Other reason	44.5	43.8	45.7	43.1	52.5	49.6	23.0

(Women's Health and Aging Study, baseline interview, 1992-1995)

¹ All variables have less than 1% missing data. Results are based on non-missing data.

² Descriptive statistics are based on weighted data.

³ No ADL difficulty; disabled in two or more domains (see Chapter 1).

⁴ Driving status was determined by the following questions: (1) When you go somewhere by car, who usually drives? (2) Have you ever had a driver's license? (3) Do you still drive?

⁵ Categories may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

⁶ When you go somewhere by car, who usually drives?

⁷ "Yes" response to "Over the last year, have you cut down on the amount you drive or when you drive (such as not driving at night or in the rain) because of your health or vision?"